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Schuegraf et al. **Applicant** Group Art Unit 2811 08/932,228 Appl. No. I hereby certify that this correspondence and all marked attachments are being deposited with Filed September 17, 1997 the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant SHALLOW TRENCH For 20231, on ISOLATION USING LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT

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Examiner

Hung K. Vu

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. March 19, 2001

AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action on the Continued Prosecution Application mailed December 19, 2000, in the above-captioned application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment indicated below and reconsideration of the claims in view of the amendment and remarks set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 22 as shown below. A marked-up copy of the amended claim is attached on a separate paper.

(Amended) The integrated circuit of Claim 21, wherein the halide-doped silicon 22. oxide has a dielectric constant of less than 3.9.

REMARKS

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner has rejected Claim 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.





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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	10	_	20	= 0 ×	\$18	= \$0
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